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Laingsburg.

Mrs W H Card has returned home from Detroit, where she has been spending the winter with her daughter, and also enjoyed a trip to California. The body of Edgar Trumble, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs H R Sheffield, was taken to Bath, Saturday, where funeral services were held and interment made. Mrs Julia Houghton has returned home from Chapin, where she has been spending several weeks with her daughter. The three-year-old child of Mr and Mrs Marion Brown of Burt, was brought to the home of the former's brother, E E Brown, Thursday, where funeral services were held and interment made in Laingsburg cemetery. Mrs Charles Miller of Haslett, spent Saturday at the home of her cousin, Mrs Addie Lutz, who has been quite sick for a few days. Mrs W J Simeon of Nashville, visited old friends in town over Sunday. J E Hisey of Pasadena, Calif., and Herbert E Simpson of Prairie Bush, Wash., were called here the last of the week by the death of their brother, R E Simpson. W H Hunt left Sunday for a trip to California. Mr and Mrs Chas Brown of Owosso, were guests of the former's cousin, E E Brown and family over Sunday. Mr and Mrs Paul Putnam are parents of a baby boy. Miss May Fletcher of Lansing, was the guest of Mrs Nettie Smith over Sunday. Miss Eva Gould of Owosso, was the guest of Mr and Mrs H R Sheffield over Sunday. Mr and Mrs T J Burt moved to Owosso the first of the week where they will make their future home.

Morrice.

The Priscilla club met at the home of Frank Church, Friday. Meddames Church and Winegar Jr. entertained. Mark Groat's team ran away Friday starting at the mill. Robt Cahoon stopped them at 2nd and Gale streets. No damage was done except that Mark has a limp in one foot from trying to stop them. Mrs Chas Robinson has been at the home of her mother, Mrs Voeburg, caring for her. The Shakespeare club met at the home of Mae Stanley and enjoyed a pot luck supper Friday. While doing chores in the basement of his barn, Saturday, Frank Lewis struck his head on the corner of a sill, cutting a gash four inches long in his scalp. Dr Milton Shaw dressed the wound. A lively Republican caucus was held in Perry Saturday to nominate township officers, 160 voters being present. The only opposing candidates seemed to be Chas Robinson and J D Alling of Morrice, both wanting the nomination for treasurer. Mr Robinson won with 83 votes to Mr Alling's 73. The following ticket was nominated: Supervisor, Leslie Clarke; clerk, Lile Martin; treasurer, Chas Robinson; highway commissioner, Edwin Burk. The Democratic party of Antrim township nominated the following ticket Thursday: Supervisor, James Kinsler; clerk, Edward Dippy; treasurer, Henry Cunningham; highway commissioner, Henry Hansen. Frank Jones and wife of Flint, were the guests of his mother, Mrs Thos Jones, over Sunday. At the village election only one ticket was in the field. When the inspectors began counting they found the name of Frank Snell had been slipped over the name of F M Towner for president, but not frequent enough to elect him.

Jolly Fifteen Entertained

The Jolly Fifteen club of New Haven was entertained at the pleasant home of Mrs. Charles Gassman, last Friday afternoon. When the meeting was called to order, the club sang "Battle Hymn of the Republic." Nearly every member responded to roll call. After the business meeting had been completed a short St. Patrick's program was rendered. Mrs. Day also gave a reading on the origin of the song, "The Old Oaken Bucket." A great deal of amusement was found in unrolling a large ball of carpet rags which contained prizes of every description for each one present. A contest, "Lost Pats," and some familiar "Greens," was conducted by the secretary. Messrs. Arthur and Orville Jones received the prizes representing March 17. The president of the previous year was remembered with a token of cut glass. After enjoying refreshments served by the hostess the meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Arthur Hurst March 31.

Pomona Grange in Bancroft.

The Shiawassee County Pomona Grange will be entertained by Burns Grange in Bancroft at the K. of P. hall, Thursday, March 23. N. P. Hull, past master of the State Grange, will be the speaker of the day.

The following program will be given in the evening at 8 o'clock. All are welcome.

Music—Bancroft High School Orchestra.

Recitation—Helen Gunderman.

Duet—Mable and Irving Gulick.

Monologue—Mrs. Myra Stone.

Preparedness—

(a) Educational, Prof. Brockway.

(b) National, Rev. Sprague.

(c) Spiritual, Rev. Berry.

Music—Grange Chorus.

Dialogue.

Duet—Mrs. B. F. Durfee and Miss Aniber Durfee.

Drill by the guards of the L. O. T. M. M.

Farewell Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Webster Lewis, of Shiawassee township, were pleasantly surprised by about 35 friends and neighbors Monday evening. The function was given as a farewell party as Mr. and Mrs. Lewis leave soon for their new home in Vernon. A pot-luck supper was served and Amos Parmenter, in behalf of the guests, presented the host and hostess with two pieces of silver. During their four years' residence in Shiawassee Mr. and Mrs. Lewis have made many friends, who regret their departure.

Misses Bessie and Gertrude Galusha are taking vacations from their duties at the Loomis & Oamer grocery store and Murray & Terbush store. They will go to Detroit Friday for a visit with relatives.

A daughter was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Norris of Laingsburg. Mrs. Norris was formerly Miss Vera Hankins.

The thermometer touched zero this morning.

Wanted.

To buy all kinds of FURS. Highest prices paid. Milster's barn, East Comstock street, Owosso, Mich. U. Phone 439-red. A. ROOT.

FOR SALE—My residence at 415 W. Main street, Owosso. Thoroughly modern; hot water heating; 76 feet frontage. Price \$5,000. LEE WOODARD.

Asks \$5,000 Damages

James L. Chapman, 18 years of age, of Owosso, has sued the Ann Arbor railroad for \$5,000 damages through his guardian, Amelia Voss. He claims he was crippled for life when on August 20, 1915, as he was assisting to unload a car of planks another employe threw a 10-foot plank from a car striking him on the shoulder and injuring his shoulder and side.

E. D. Brooks Highly Endorsed as Candidate for Register of Deeds.

The following resolution was presented and received a unanimous vote: We, the Republicans of Owosso township, assembled in caucus, do hereby endorse E. D. Brooks' candidacy which is well under way, for Register of Deeds.

Mr. Brooks has a host of friends. He has a business college education and is well qualified to serve the county and will make a good register.

March 10, 1916.

F. M. SHEPARD, Chairman.

Death of Jeremiah Colf.

Jeremiah Colf, 87 years of age, died of heart trouble during a choking spell that he suffered while eating supper, Tuesday, at the home of his stepson, Clarence Graham, in Bennington township.

Mr. Colf attempted to swallow a piece of meat, which lodged in his throat. His efforts to eject it were futile and although a doctor was hastily summoned, he died before the physician reached the place.

The funeral was held from the residence Thursday afternoon, Rev. C. R. Wolford officiating, and interment made in the Alton cemetery.

Mr. Colf was born in Rochester, N. Y., and came to this county with his parents when nine years old. They settled in Bennington township and hewed a farm from the wilderness. Their nearest neighbor was six miles away.

The deceased is the last of a family of 10 brothers and sisters. He was twice married, and both of his companions preceded him in death. He leaves no near relatives.

Mr. Colf resided on several different farms in Bennington township. He served with honor during the civil war with the Ninth Michigan Infantry.

PRUNING TREES AND SHRUBS.

Shape and Flowering Habits of Ornamental Plants Controlled by Trimming in Early Spring.

A little care given to the pruning of ornamental trees and shrubs during the early part of March will do much to control their growing and flowering habits and enable the home owner to have well formed plants and well trained hedges or boundary plantings. The pruning of ornamental trees and shrubs is, in fact, one of the first duties that may profitably be performed in the home garden. The amateur, however, should not make a ruthless assault with shears or pruning knife upon everything in his yard.

Flowering trees and shrubs that bloom in the spring or early summer should not receive radical pruning at this time, according to the garden specialists of the department. Of course, if on these plants there are dead or weak branches, these should be taken out, and any crossing limbs that are rubbing and seriously interfering with the growth of the bush should be removed. The tips of the limbs, however, should not be cut off, nor should any young wood that does not interfere with the growth of the bush be removed. It must be borne in mind that the blossom buds for this year's flowering were formed last year, and every shoot removed takes off that much of the prospective blossoms.

Trees and shrubs that bear their flowers in midsummer and which were not pruned in the fall, may be pruned at this time. Plants of this sort are the Rose of Sharon and the shrubby hydrangea. Where the largest possible mass effect is desired, these plants should be pruned but little. If the aim is to secure the largest possible trusses or blossom heads, last year's growth should be pruned back to two or three eyes to a stem. Such severe pruning, however, is not conducive to the most attractive development of shrubs.

Climbing roses should not be pruned at this time except for the removal of surplus or interfering branches. Every bit of wood removed now reduces the amount of bloom the plant will bear during the coming season. Roses used in border planting should be treated in exactly the same way as other shrubs, except that many of these species will be improved by having all their old wood cut away once in every five or six years. This would mean cutting all the old canes off within three or four inches of the ground and forcing the bush to throw up entirely new wood.

Roses used for cut flowers, like the hybrid perpetuals, the hybrid teas, and teas, should be severely pruned. The hybrid perpetuals may be cut as soon as freezing weather is past. Pruning of the hybrid teas and teas, however, should be left until the young growth has started. In both cases the plant should be cut to within 6 inches or 1 foot of the ground. Four or six eyes to a stem is about the proper amount of wood to leave.

Home Destroyed by Fire

The home of C. Beyer, employed at the stove factory as a moulder, was completely destroyed by fire at 4:15 o'clock Tuesday morning. The house is located at almost the extreme southern end of Chestnut street, where there is no water main.

The loss on the house will probably be about \$1,200. The house was owned by C. Marreh of Chicago. Beyer lived in Dayton, O., at the time of the disastrous flood three years ago and lost all of his household goods in that disaster.

Chas. A. Rowe of Detroit, died, Wednesday, after an illness of six weeks following a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Rowe was well known in Owosso and was a brother of Mrs. George Sprinkle, formerly of this city.

Rev. H. A. Waite is assisting with evangelistic services at Haslett for two weeks.

Result of Primary Election.

I certify that I have made a public canvass of the votes cast at the primary election held March 13th, 1916, as reported to me by the several election boards, and that the result is as follows, and the following names only will appear on the ballot at the election to be held April 3rd, 1916:

For Commissioner of Public Utilities, John Rosevear received 218 votes.
For Constable, Frank R. Forster received 241 votes.

March 14th, 1916.

ARTHUR H. DUMOND,

City Clerk.

Notice of Election.

To the Electors and Women tax-payers having the qualifications of male electors of the City of Owosso:

Take notice, that at the regular election to be held in the City of Owosso on Monday, April 3rd, 1916, the following proposition will be submitted for vote:

"Shall the City of Owosso issue serial bonds in the sum of Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars payable Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars each year upon the 1st day of June of the years from 1917 to 1921 inclusive, for the purpose of centralizing and motorizing the fire department of the City of Owosso?"

This election is authorized by resolution of the Commission of the City of Owosso adopted at a regular session of said Commission held upon the 13th day of March, 1916, said resolution being as follows:

Resolved by the Commission of the City of Owosso that at the regular election to be held in this city upon the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1916, in addition to the other questions to be submitted to the electors of this city at said election the question of bonding the city of Owosso in the sum of Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars for the motorizing and centralizing of the fire department of the City of Owosso, said sums of money to be raised to be used to purchase the necessary land, construct the necessary building or buildings, purchase the necessary wagons, trucks, and other necessary equipment in the said centralizing and motorizing of the fire department, be submitted to the electors of said city for approval or rejection. Said bonds to be dated June 1, 1916, and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed five per cent (5 per cent) per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be payable serially Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars each year upon the 1st day of June, A. D. 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, and 1931.

He further resolved that the form of the question to be submitted to the electors of this city as provided in this resolution be printed upon the ballots by the city clerk as follows: "Shall the City of Owosso issue serial bonds in the sum of Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars payable Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars each year upon the 1st day of June of the years from 1917 to 1921 inclusive, for the purpose of centralizing and motorizing the fire department of the City of Owosso?"

He further resolved that the clerk of the City of Owosso is hereby directed to take the necessary steps in the preparation of ballots for the submission of the foregoing question to the electors of this city.

He further resolved that the clerk of the City of Owosso be and is hereby directed to give proper notice as required by law of the time and place of holding said election, the purpose of the same, and that women tax-payers, having the qualification of male electors are entitled to vote thereon, and the question to be voted upon, said notice to set forth fully the purposes and objects of said election as fully as the same are set forth in this resolution.

On this question women possessing the qualifications of male electors and having property assessed for taxes within the City of Owosso shall be entitled to vote.

The polls of said election will be open from seven o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated March 15th, 1916.

ARTHUR H. DUMOND,

City Clerk.

Notice of Election.

To the Electors and Women tax-payers having the qualifications of male electors of the City of Owosso:

Take notice, that at the regular election to be held in the City of Owosso on Monday, April 3rd, 1916, the following proposition will be submitted for vote:

"Shall the City of Owosso issue serial bonds in the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred (\$6,500.00) Dollars payable Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars each year upon the 1st day of October, A. D. 1917 to 1923 inclusive, for the purpose of purchasing and constructing a central public park?"

This election is authorized by resolution of the Commission of the City of Owosso adopted at a regular session of said Commission held upon the 13th day of March, 1916, said resolution being as follows:

Resolved by the Commission of the City of Owosso that at the regular election to be held in this city upon the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1916, in addition to the other questions to be submitted to the electors of this city at said election the question of bonding the city of Owosso in the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred (\$6,500.00) Dollars for the purchase and construction of a central public park to be located upon the west side of Water street between Michigan and Chestnut streets in this city, said sums of money to be raised to be used to purchase the necessary lands, and to do the necessary grading, leveling, and purchase the necessary materials to construct said park, be submitted to the electors of the City of Owosso for approval or rejection. Said bonds to be dated October 1, 1916, and shall bear interest at the rate not to exceed five per cent (5 per cent) per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be payable Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars each year upon the 1st day of October, A. D. 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, and 1930.

He further resolved that the form for the question to be submitted to the electors of this city as provided in this resolution be printed upon the ballots by the clerk of the City of Owosso as follows: "Shall the City of Owosso issue serial bonds in the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred (\$6,500.00) Dollars payable Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars each year upon the 1st day of October, A. D. 1917 to 1923 inclusive, for the purpose of purchasing and constructing a central public park?"

He further resolved that the clerk of the City of Owosso is hereby instructed to take the necessary steps in the preparation of ballots for the submission of the foregoing question to the electors of this city.

He further resolved that the clerk of the City of Owosso be and is hereby directed to give proper notice as required by law of the time and place of holding said election, the purpose of the same, and that women tax-payers, having the qualifications of male electors are entitled to vote thereon, and the question to be voted upon, said notice to set forth fully the purposes and objects of said election as fully as the same are set forth in this resolution.

On this question women possessing the qualifications of male electors and having property assessed for taxes within the city of Owosso shall be entitled to vote.

The polls of said election will be open from seven o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated March 15th, 1916.

ARTHUR H. DUMOND,

City Clerk.